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**Drugs and weapons seized, arrest made after early morning search warrant **

[Hopewell, VA] – On Friday, June 5, 2020 at approximately 6:00 am, members of the Hopewell Street Crimes Unit with assistance from the Hopewell S.W.A.T team executed a narcotics search and seizure warrant on a residence in the 1300 block of Edward Bland Court. As a result of an on-going investigation into the distribution of illegal narcotics, detectives seized illegal narcotics to include MDMA (Molly), Cocaine, Marijuana, packaging materials as well as two firearms and ammunition from inside the residence.

Mr. Rodena Anthony Gholson, age 31, of Hopewell was arrested and charged with: Possession of Cocaine with the intent to distribute, Possession of MDMA with the intent to distribute, Possession of Marijuana with the intent to distribute, Felon in possession of a firearm, Possession of firearm while in possession of narcotics, Felon in Possession of Ammunition and Maintaining a Common Nuisance. Mr. Gholson was transported to Riverside Regional Jail where he is currently being held pending his arraignment in court.

Mrs. Quantisha Mandell Gholson, age 35 of Hopewell was arrested and charged with: Possession of Cocaine with the intent to distribute, Possession of MDMA with the intent to distribute, Possession of Marijuana with the intent to distribute, Possession of firearm while in possession of narcotics, Providing a firearm to a convicted felon and Maintaining a Common Nuisance. Mrs. Gholson was transported to Riverside Regional Jail where she is currently being held pending her arraignment in court.

"Today's arrests were a team effort, with the assistance from the community, tips from concerned citizens and the police department's proactive efforts that led to the removal of illegal narcotics, weapons and violent offenders from the streets of Hopewell," said Detective Lieutenant Michael Langford.



**See below attached photographs of Mr. Rodena Gholson and Mrs. Quantisha Gholson **



Rodena Anthony Gholson



Quantisha Mandell Gholson

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